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CONSIDERATION OF THE POSSIBLE EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD OF SIGNATURE IN ARTICLE 57 OF THE INTERNATIONAL NATURAL RUBBER AGREEMENT, 1995

Resolution adopted by the Conference

The United Nations Conference on Natural Rubber, 1994

Having met in Geneva from 5 to 15 April 1994, 3 to 14 October 1994, 6 to 17 February 1995 and on 28 March 1996,

Having concluded the International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995 on 17 February 1995,

Noting with satisfaction that a number of Governments have signed the Agreement and that certain Governments have made a notification of provisional application or have deposited an instrument of acceptance,

Noting that the Agreement is no longer open for signature in accordance with article 57,

Conscious that the Agreement cannot enter into force in accordance with article 61, paragraph 1 or 2, unless the signature period in article 57 is extended,

Noting with appreciation the statements made by certain Governments indicating their wish to sign the Agreement if this were made possible,

Desirous of bringing the Agreement into force at an early date,

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1. Decides that the International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995 can be signed until 31 July 1996 inclusive and requests the depositary of the Agreement to receive signatures until that date;

2. Requests the President of the Conference to forward this resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations who is the depositary of the Agreement;

3. Invites those Governments that have not already done so, to take the appropriate action in order to bring the Agreement into force as soon as possible and before 1 January 1997;

4. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to bring this resolution to the attention of the Governments invited to the United Nations Conference on Natural Rubber, 1994.